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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

Application of Salvatore MELIS

A UNIT FOR THE SERVO-ASSISTED OPERATION OF A MOTOR-

VEHICLE GEARBOX

Our Ref. Q63447

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 14 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and 2 sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is the Information Disclosure Statement.

Please see attached preliminary amendment before calculating Government filing fee.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	12 - 20	= 0	X	\$18.00	=	\$.00
Independent claims	1 - 3	= 0	_ x	\$80.00	=	\$.00
Base Fee			_			\$710.00

TOTAL FEE \$710.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

There is no claim to priority.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE, MION, ZINN,

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By: